10 *May* 1855. 18 Vict.

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TO

## Amend an Act of last Session, to provide for the Establishment of a National Gallery of Paintings, Sculpture, and the Fine Arts, for the Care of a Public Library, and the Erection of a Public Museum, in Dublin.

[Note.—The Words printed in *Italics* are proposed to be inserted in Committee.]

Preamble. 17 & 18 Vict. c. 99.

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the last Session of Parliament, to provide, amongst other things, for the Establishment of a National Gallery of Paintings, Sculpture, and the Fine Arts in Ireland, and it is expedient to amend the said Act as berein-after mentioned: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and witb the Advice and Conseut of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by tbe Authority of the same, as follows:

Donors of Twenty Pounds to vote at Election of Governors.

I. So much of tbe Twelfth Section of the said recited Act as enables Persons wbo shall have made a Donation to the Governors and Guardians of the National Gallery of Ireland, for the Purposes of their Trust, of not less than Two Guineas in Money, to vote at the Election and Nomination of Persons to fill Vacancies in such Governors and Guardians, shall be and the same is hereby repealed; and the

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Privilege of voting at such Election and Nomination shall extend and apply only to every Donor of Money to the said Governors and Guardians of a Sum not less than *Twenty Pounds* in Money: Provided always, that the Provisions of the said Act for the Election and Nomination of Governors and Guardians of the said Gallery shall not hereby be affected (except as herein-after mentioned), further or otherwise than by substituting Donors of not less than *Twenty Pounds* in Money for Donors of not less than Two Guineas in Money, as aforesaid.

Donors of Twenty Pounds to any Fund transferred to the Governors of the National Gallery to vote at Ection of Governors.

II. Every Person who shall have been a Subscriber of a Sum not less than *Twenty Pounds* in Money to any Fund raised by public Subscription, and appropriated for the Purposes of the said National Gallery by the Subscribers to such Fund or the Trustees thereof (by and with the Consent of the Governors and Guardians of the said Gallery, or of the Building Trustees created by the said Act of last Session for the Purposes of their Trust respectively), shall be deemed a Donor of the like Sum to the Guardians and Governors of the National Gallery of Ireland, and shall be entitled to vote and take part at such Elections of Guardians and Governors to the said Gallery, as in the said Act and herein-before mentioned.

Five to be a Quorum of the Board of Governors, &c.

III. At all Meetings of the Body Corporate of the Governors and Guardians of the said National Gallery *Five* shall be a Quorum for the Transaction of Business: Provided nevertheless, that no Painting, Statue, or other Work of Art shall be purchased for the said Gallery, or out of the Funds of the said Body Corporate, unless such Purchase shall be authorized by a Resolution of the said Governors and Guardians passed at a Meeting at which at least *Nine* Members of the said Body Corporate shall be present.

Power to Public Bodies to deposit Works of Art in the National Gallery of Ireland.

IV. It shall be lawful for the Governors, Directors, or Trustees of every public Institution, and for the Governing Body of every Corporation, having or which shall have or be possessed, in trust or otherwise, of any Statue, Painting, or other Work of Art, and they and every of them are hereby empowered, by and with the Consent of the said Governors and Guardians of the National Gallery of Ireland, from Time to Time to deposit the same in the Custody and Charge of the last-mentioned Governors and Guardians, for Exhibition, for and during such Time and Times, and subject to such Conditions for securing the proper Care and Preservation of such Works of Art, as may be agreed upon; and it shall be lawful for the said Governors and Guardians of the National Gallery of Ireland, out of the Funds of the said Body Corporate, from Time to Time to expend such Sums of Money as they may think proper in defraying the

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the Expense of the Transmission to and from their Gallery and of the Insurance of any Works of Art as may from Time to Time be lent to or deposited with the said Governors and Guardians, by any public Bodies, Trustees, or private Individuals.

5 V. This Act shall be construed with the said Act of last Session as One Act, and in all Acts, Deeds, Documents, Proceedings, Suits, and Prosecutions this Act and the said Act of last Session may be cited and described by the Name of "The National Gallery of Ireland Acts, 1854–55.

Short Title of this and the last Act.

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*(Prepared and brought in by Mr. Horsman and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland.)*

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